

Early Childhood and Afterschool Program Consultation, Quality Improvement and Professional Development Stakeholder Group Meeting

November 17, 2010
Skylight Conference room

Goal: Develop recommendations on how to apply available CDD resources systematically to further alignment of offerings and opportunities for professional development and quality improvement with existing frameworks (e.g. Northern Lights and STARS)

Objectives:

- Review meeting # 2 including list of shared goals related to professional development and quality improvement opportunities throughout Vermont
- Discuss needs of and incentives to providers/practitioners in accessing and using professional development opportunities

Recap Meeting #2

- Goals as articulated in the meeting – alignment with the work of the PPD system principles
- Support of Northern Lights and STARS as a set of standards to professionalize the field -- content
- Professional development delivery system needs to meet the needs of the learner

Key Question for Group #3

What is needed to encourage practitioners in early child care and after school care to access and utilize the professional development opportunities that use the standards embedded in Northern Lights and STARS?

Meeting #4:

- Recommendations to CDD in (re)allocating resources to better support providers/practitioners in accessing quality improvement and professional development opportunities aligned with standards in Northern Lights and STARS.
- Recommendations for leveraging additional support provided through the public and private sectors so that additional programs and opportunities are available to further quality improvement and professional development in line with the standards in Northern Lights and STARS